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In re Application of:

Marcos de Albuquerque  
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Application No.: 09/892,654

Filed: June 28, 2001

For: EQUIPMENT FOR DISTRIBUTION AND  
FEEDING OF CHARGE AND FUEL IN  
SHAFT FURNACES OF RECTANGULAR  
CROSS SECTION

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants hereby petition for a three month extension of time to reply to the  
Office Action of August 28, 2002. A fee of \$930.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge  
any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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